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In re New Patent Application of )

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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE,

METHOD OF FABRICATING SAME, AND ELECTROOPTICAL )

**DEVICE** 

) Group Art Unit:2811

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.99, it is requested that the reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record in the above-identified application.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16, 1.17, 1.20(a), 1.20(b), 1.20(c), and 1.20(d) (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380 (0756-1838).

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